



Datchworth Parish Council Briefing Note

Agenda item heading: DPC rep for parish magazine grant committee	Date: 18 th January 2024 Committee/Working Group: G&L
Why? Each year the magazine roughly covers production costs through subscriptions and raises a roughly equal amount through advertising. The latter is nearly all profit, 50% of which is donated to the church fund and the remaining fifty per cent of the profit is allocated to other good causes, which could be local organisations (not excluding the church) and/or charities.	
How (including Time and Money)? Details of the funds available and the applications for grants are collated and shared with the magazine/website editorial team, the Parish Council and the Church. Each group agrees how they would like to see the funds distributed. At a meeting, chaired by magazine editor, the three groups reach a decision as to disbursement of funds. The DPC rep attends the meeting to represent the whole parish council's consensus view, and negotiate/agree with the other groups.	
When? Jan/Feb – applications submitted Feb/Mar – applications collated and funding details shared Mar – meeting to agree distribution Apr – beneficiaries notified and money distributed	